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For:

APPARATUS AND

METHODS FOR RINSING **WASHING MACHINES**

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STATUS

Applicant

claims small entity status. is other than a small entity.

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EXTENSION OF TERM

apply.	(complete (a) o	r (b), as applicable)	olis of 37 C.F.R. 1.13					
(a)	Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)							
	Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)					
	first month	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00					
	second month	\$ 450.00	\$ 225.00					
	third month	\$ 1,020.00	\$ 510.00					
	fourth month	\$1,590.00	\$ 795.00 \$1,080.00					
	fifth month	\$2,160.00						
		Fee:	\$					
If an additional e	xtension of time is required, ple	ease consider this a peti	tion therefor.					
	(Check and complete the ne	ext item, if applicable)						
	An extension of mont therefor \$ is deducted of extension now requested.							
	Extension fee due with the	is request \$						
		OR						
c	Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.							

FEE FOR CLAIMS

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In response to the Office Action dated September 25, 2006, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.